

Honor Flight welcomes veterans from all over the country to fly to Washington, DC, free of charge, to visit the memorials of the wars these heroic veterans fought. Of the 123 veterans on the most recent Honor Flight, 25 served in World War II, 59 served in Korea, and 39 served in Vietnam.

Few words are sufficient to show the gratitude and respect we all have for the courageous men and women who have fought for our country. They have preserved our rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We stand here today to honor those who have risked their lives to protect the United States of America.

Please join me in honoring Earnest Adams, Paul Babish, Oliver Bashor, Russell Brady, Martin Bunker, Arthur Crothwait, Michael DeJiaco, N Kenneth Furlong, Francis Gallagher, Roland Garner, Harold Hubbard, Erling Johnson, Howard Johnston, William Karr, John Kennedy, Herbert Leis, Charles Linhart, Russell MacCachran, Ray Madsen, Harriet Martin, Fred McClory, David Meier, Ronald Smith, Donald Stonebraker, Leo Weaver, Charles Archibeque, Donald Anderson, William Bacon, Bobby Barker, Louis Barrientos, Virgil Beck, Jack Benham, Alfred Benson Jr., James Birdsell, George Blake, Thomas Bornhoft, Robert Brezee, Alfred Brophy, Ralph Carlson, Charles Campion, Lewis Carder, Richard Cella, Marinus Christensen, Kenneth Clements, Earnest Cummins, Robert Davenport, Donald Deboodt, Kenneth Doty, Joseph Eckert, James Hagihara, Norman Harpole, Richard Hecker, Bobby Jones, Roy Kipfinger Jr., Richard Korth, John Lebsack, Robert Lionberger, Donald Matula, Paul McDill, Lawrence McGlone, Raymond Miller, Clifford Morey, Richard Orton, Placido Pando, William Peebles, Lupe Rodriguez, Evaristo Sanchez, Michael Schaugency, James Schofield, Earl Simmons, Frederick Smith, Ralph Spellman, James Stallard, James Stewart, William Strunk, Wilbur Tritthardt, Henry Trujillo, Melvin Veldhuizen, Allan Walcker, Orlin Williams, Charles Wood Jr., Donald Wuertz, Clarke Wykert, Rudolph Younger, Larry Arndt, Bruce Axelrod, Marvin Bartholomew, Jim Biggs, Alexander Bless, Clyde Brewer II, Randy Brooks, Lanny Clary, Guy Coombes, Robert Cowan, Robert Chapman, Waldo Decker, David DeJiaco, Terry Diedrich, Kenneth Gareis, Bonifacio Hernandez, Larry Huddle, David Jovola, Donald Ketels, Clarke Lambert, Gary Lebsack, Dewey Mattly, Lorrie McLaughlin, Calvin Melcher, Irving Morales, Bryan Morgan, Richard Orton, Norman Peterson, James Porth, James Ray, Stephen Ray, Dave Sloan, Lawrence Stoddard, Harley Sullivan, Michael Torgerson, Andrew Valdez, Gregory Walent, Daryl Wiest, and Terry Wright.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO SHANE BINGER

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Shane Binger, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Shane is a graduate of Hitchcock-Tulare High School in Tulare, SD. Currently, Shane is attending South Dakota State University, where he is majoring in business economics. Shane is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Shane Binger for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO SHELBY FERSTL

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Shelby Ferstl, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Shelby is a graduate of Tartan High School in Oakdale, Minnesota. Currently, Shelby is attending the University of Minnesota Duluth, where she is majoring in financial markets. Shelby is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Shelby Ferstl for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO STEPHEN GEMAR

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Stephen Gemar, an intern in my Aberdeen office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Stephen is a graduate of Mobridge-Pollock High School in Mobridge, SD. Currently, Stephen is attending the University of South Dakota, where he is majoring in political science. Stephen is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Stephen Gemar for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO BRADY GLISSENDORF

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Brady Glissendorf, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Brady is a graduate of St. Thomas More High School in Rapid City, SD. Currently, Brady is attending the University of Notre Dame, where he is majoring in political science and econom-

ics. Brady is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Brady Glissendorf for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO COLE GUSTAFSON

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Cole Gustafson, an intern in my Rapid City office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Cole is a graduate of Sheridan High School in Sheridan, Wyoming. Cole is a recent graduate of Black Hills State University, where he majored in political science, and will begin at the University of Wyoming College of Law in August 2015. Cole is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Cole Gustafson for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO KATHERINE HICKEY

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Katherine Hickey, an intern in my Sioux Falls office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Katherine is a graduate of Roosevelt High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, Katherine is attending Asbury University, where she is majoring in political science and sociology. Katherine is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Katherine Hickey for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO ERIC HURLEY

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Eric Hurley, an intern in my Aberdeen office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Eric is a graduate of Aberdeen Roncalli High School in Aberdeen, SD. Currently, Eric is attending the University of South Dakota, where he is majoring in business administration. Eric is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Eric Hurley for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT PETERSON

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Robert Peterson, an intern in